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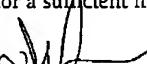
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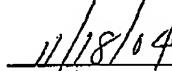
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 18, 2004, please amend this application as follows.

Revisions to the claims begin at page 2.

Remarks begin at page 4.